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To

The Member Secretary
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Vatavaran Bhavan, Nabha Road,
Patiala-147001 (Punjab)

Subject: Directions under section 18(1)(b) of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 regarding non-compliance status of M/s Dr. Ambedkar Leather Association CETP-Phillaur, Nurmahal Road, Phillaur, District Jalandhar, Punjab

WHEREAS, amongst others, under Section 17 of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, one of the functions of the State Pollution Control Board (SPCB), (or Pollution Control Committee for Union Territories) constituted under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 is to plan a comprehensive programme for prevention, control or abatement of pollution of streams and wells located in the State and to secure the execution therefore; and

WHEREAS, amongst others, under Section 16 of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981, one of the functions of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), constituted under the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 is to coordinate activities of the State Pollution Control Boards and Pollution Control Committees and to provide technical assistance and guidance to SPCBs/PCCs; and

WHEREAS, amongst others, under Section 16 of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, one of the functions of the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB), is to promote cleanliness of streams and wells in different areas of the State; and

WHEREAS, the Central Government has notified the standards for discharge of environmental pollutants from various categories of industries, Common Effluent Treatment Plants (CETPs) and Sewage Treatment Plants (STPs) under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the rules framed there under; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to inculcate the habit of self-monitoring within the CETPs for complying with the prescribed standards and this can be achieved by installing Online Continuous Effluent Monitoring System (OCEMS); and

WHEREAS, M/s Ambedkar Leather Association, CETP-Phillaur, District Jalandhar, Punjab (herein after referred as CETP), was inspected by a team of officials from CPCB on 27/07/2022 and the following observations were made:

- i. The CETP receives effluent, without any pre-treatment, from 12-member tannery units, transported through a tanker of 1.0 m³ capacity.
- ii. The untreated effluent received at the CETP was around 8 KLD, as against the designed capacity of 35 KLD.
- iii. The monitored values for the quality parameter at the outlet of CETP, namely, FDS: 2948 mg/l (limit: 2100 mg/l), did not meet the prescribed outlet standards.
- iv. Online Continuous Effluent Monitoring System (OCEMS) is not installed at the outlet of CETP for measurement of quality parameters in the effluent.
- v. The standards, for the quality parameters at inlet of CETP, have not been specified by the Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB).
- vi. The CETP has been discharging treated effluent into the Municipal Sewerage system for further treatment in STP.
- vii. The CETP has membership with TSDF operated by M/s Resustainability Limited in Village Nimbua, Tehsil Dera Bassi, District Mohali, Punjab, for final disposal of their hazardous waste.

AND NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of powers conferred under section 18(1)(b) of the Water (Prevention & Control of Pollution) Act, 1974, Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB) is hereby directed to take appropriate action to ensure compliance of the following:

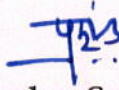
1. To prescribe the inlet standards for CETP in light of MoEF&CC notification under E(P) Act Rules, 1986, dated 01/01/2016.
2. To take suitable action, as deemed fit, including levying of environmental compensation against non-complying CETP or member industries that do not have adequate treatment facilities to comply with the norms.
3. To ensure compliance of the following by the CETP:
 - a. To operate or augment the treatment system, appropriately, for discharging the treated effluent within the prescribed limits.
 - b. To install the OCEMS at the outlet of CETP for the monitoring of quality parameters, in case the discharge exceeds 10 KLD, and provide data connectivity to CPCB & PPCB.
 - c. To install flow meter and web camera, in case the discharge continues to be less than 10 KLD, and provide data connectivity to CPCB & PPCB.

The action taken by PPCB shall be intimated to CPCB within 15 days of receipt of these directions.


Prashant Gargava
Member Secretary

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